

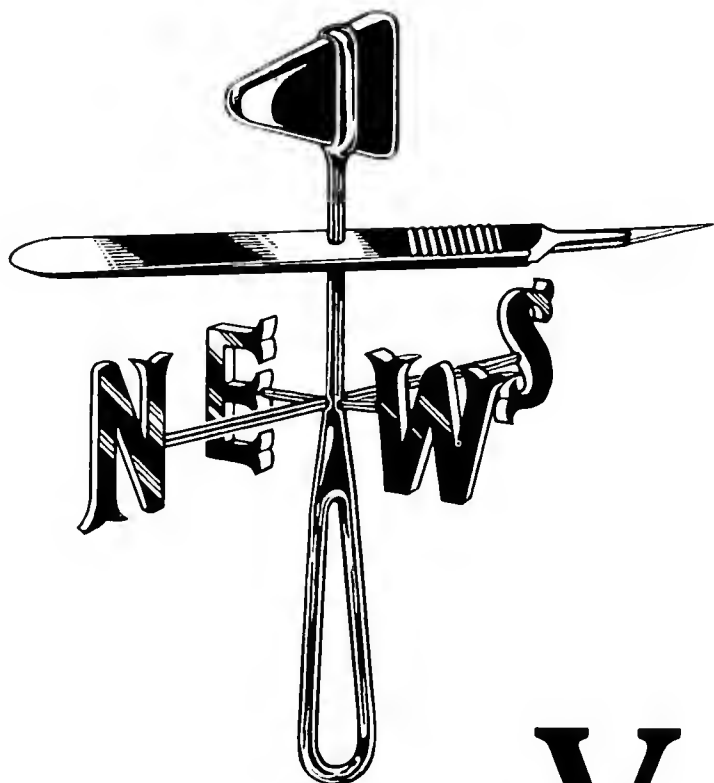
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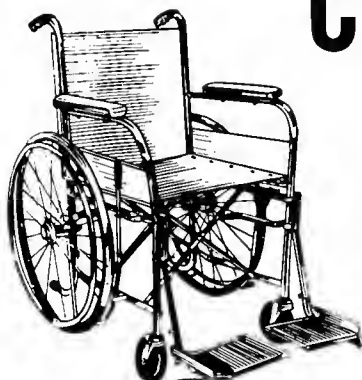
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From the Desk of the President



BUREAUCRATIC BENEVOLENCE OR MALFEASANCE

Isn't it amazing, that come September and October, what a Utopia is forecast by our incumbent politicians if they are elected. At the same time the opponents reveal the true disaster our government is embracing.

Isn't it wonderful that suddenly our valley has been allotted \$2 million dollars in anti-recession grants, since the \$3.9 billion Public Works Employment Act has been passed over a veto. Congress proudly informs us of this benevolence as if they had personally sacrificed several jet trips to far off lands so they may present us with this contribution. However, all of us know that the billions are tax payers' money (yours and mine) and moreover are under federal regulatory controls with lackadaisical public accountability.

Every aspect of our lives is being invaded and pervaded by government within the federal government. I refer to regulatory agencies. Once created, their power over the people is in inverse relationship to their public accountability.

Last year the regulatory log book ("The Federal Register") carried 60,221 pages of single spaced fine print, a gain of some 14,000 pages over 1974. These hillocks of paper are virtually as much law as any act of Congress.

The regulations fought by the AMA on the original two sets of "Utilization Review" (for example) and Maximum Allowable (Drug) Cost rules did not implement law, but created it.

Why have these agencies gained such a vast amount of law-making power?

One reason is that Congress, in its crush of work, enacts loose pliant legislation that the regulators can mold like putty.

Another reason is the Administration Procedure Act, whose ground rules for the agencies are amenable to being over-utilized or evaded—whichever suits the fancy and ambition of the regulator.

What can we do about these agencies gaining such vast amount of power?

The first general need is to get the Administrative Procedure Act amended—so that the regulators will have to pay more respect to orderly and orthodox government processes and to the regulated.

Physicians are acutely aware of the impact of unrealistic regulations on the quality of medical care under federal programs.

We must support bills similar to the Flowers bill (HR 12048) sponsored by Representative Walter Flowers of Alabama, which will strengthen the citizens' input into new regulations.

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Editorial

SELF-DETERMINATION

One of the privileges of a democratic society is the opportunity to control your own life-pattern. The opportunity exists but not the absolute right. Individual and group rights can be manipulated by the political and legislative processes. Individuals must be chary of the elements that are hostile to their particular interests. Specifically in medicine, physicians usually rely on the national medical organizations to be guardians of their interests. This appears to be conducive to a certain amount of disinterest by the local physician. This is a subtly dangerous attitude.

We need effective control of our own areas in order to maintain the high quality private practice of medicine. Politicians, social scientists and administrators do not appreciate the nuances of all phases of medicine, only the physician does. This means we have to actively oppose all forms of outside control over physicians. Individually we have to work against inimical coercion, whether it is national, as NHI, or local, as HSA. To simply ignore the threats and hope they will fade away by themselves is merely self-delusion. Anything less than active opposition is passive approval. The chiboleth is active personal involvement in political and legislative processes. Each of us must be ever vigilant to encroachments on our rights and active in attempting to modify them to medicine's best interests.

—J. A. Lambert, M.D.
Editor

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

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The second general need is to vote for the candidate that is cognizant of this over regulation.

He must curtail and prevent these agencies who, under the pretense of protecting consumers, are used to accuse and institute legal action against physicians frequently for publicity purposes.

Let's elect honest statesmen, not selfish, self-interested politicians. Let's have just benevolence, not malfeasance.

—William E. Sovik, M.D.
President

PAIN CONTROL SEMINAR NOV. 6

Area physicians, physical therapists and other medical personnel are invited to attend a seminar on pain control using the transcutaneous nerve stimulation (T.N.S.) method, on Saturday, November 6, from 9 a.m. till noon at the Fountain Banquet Hall North, Belmont and Francisca Avenues.

The meeting is sponsored by Patient Care Center on Belmont Avenue and the Staodynics Corporation of Longmont, Colorado, manufacturer of the Staodyn T.N.S. unit. Speakers will include Dr. Herbert Parris, director of rehabilitative medicine at Youngstown Hospital Association, Dr. Robert Gilliland, director of the department of neurology at St. Elizabeth Hospital, and Mr. Hank Kauffman, president of Kauffman Associates of Columbus, Ohio, a noted authority on T.N.S.

Applications of T.N.S. include pain from spinal discs, arthritis, bursitis, neuralgia, causalgia, tic douloureux, shingles, surgical trauma, migraine headache and phantom limb pain. A number of Youngstown area patients are currently using T.N.S. units, with most reporting excellent results to their physicians.

Medical professionals may make reservations to attend the seminar by calling Patient Care Center at 746-8871. Deadline for reservations is Monday, November 1. There is no charge for attendance and refreshments will be served.

—John Gillespie

PICO PRESENTATION AT LAST MEETING

Substituting for Dave Rader, who was unable to come to Youngstown due to illness, Bob Holcomb and Jack Dumfy made a comprehensive presentation concerning the newly-formed Physicians Insurance Company of Ohio at the Sept. 21st meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society at the Youngstown Club. Holcomb is Field Service Director for OSMA, and Dumfy is a representative of the Ohio Company.

The insurance company (PICO) is in the formative stage. The prospectus has been approved by the Insurance Department of Ohio. Stock is being sold now. The company desires a three million dollar capitalization before they begin selling policies.

Holcomb stated that there are really only two sources for new professional liability insurance in Ohio now, one being Medical Protective and the other the JUA. The new company will give physicians another choice. They do hope to be able to provide reasonable premium rates.

In other business, Dr. Sovik read a statement concerning the lawsuit against the Mahoning County Medical Society, and this statement, along with a copy of the complaint, has been mailed to all members.

The meeting was well attended by both physicians and their wives, with a great many questions being answered by Mr. Holcomb following his talk.

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The swine flu vaccine is not contraindicated for pregnant women; therefore, these women should be considered at the same risk as the general population and should be encouraged to receive the vaccination.

Those individuals under the age of 18 who would be considered as high risk patients should receive the vaccine; however, they should receive two doses of 0.5 cc of *split virus vaccine*, at least four weeks apart.

At the present time the vaccine is not recommended for healthy individuals under the age of 18 years. This age limitation may be altered in the next several weeks.

INFLUENZA B (HONG KONG) VACCINE ADMINISTRATION:

If a physician or clinic customarily administers Influenza B (Hong Kong) vaccine to high risk patients, it is recommended that this vaccine also be given this year. This immunization can be administered simultaneously with the Influenza A (Swine Flu) vaccine; however, it should be given in the opposite arm and the two vaccines should not be drawn up into the same syringe.

ADVERSE REACTIONS:

Information to date indicates 5 to 10 per cent incidence of mild systemic reaction including a low grade fever, headache, including myalgia lasting 24 to 48 hours. Local tenderness and discomfort may be present at the injection site in about 25 per cent of patients. Remember this is a dead virus vaccine and it is impossible to contract influenza from the administration of the vaccine. Systemic reactions may be more severe if Influenza B and Bivalent Influenza A Vaccines are administered simultaneously.

—Kurt Wegner, M.D.
Chairman

DRUG PICK-UP THIS MONTH

The annual collection of unwanted drug samples by the Woman's Auxiliary to the Mahoning County Medical Society is now under way. Members of the Auxiliary began to visit offices on Monday, Oct. 4th and will continue to do so until the last day of the campaign which is Tuesday, Oct. 26th.

The mechanism for collecting drugs is set-up to operate over the three week collection period and the day or two of extra time that is required to pack the samples and ship them to Detroit. After that the team is disbanded and there is no way to handle any more drugs for this year. Because of this, all offices are urged to have samples boxed and ready for pick-up during the three-week collection period.

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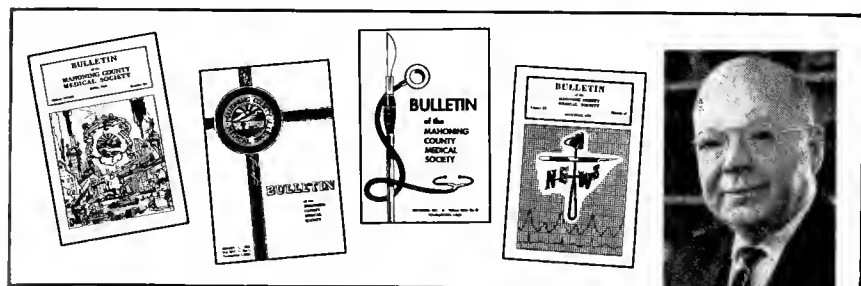
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FORTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1936

John McCann, Paul Harvey and Fred Coombs were doing post-graduate study in Boston. Bill Evans was leaving for a tour of South America.

J. J. Wasilko and Elinore Flynn were married. Paul and Ethel Mahar were back from their honeymoon trip on the Great Lakes. R. R. Morrall and June Geddes were married.

Luke Reed opened his office at 1920 Market Street and Craig Wales started practice at Belmont and Guadalupe.

A new medical building was completed at Market and Boston. Occupants were: H. E. McClenahan, Sears, Fred Middleton, Dick Middleton, Ray Hall, Oscar Axelson and Russ Rummell.

The Citizens Intelligence League was trying to interest the doctors in a new insurance plan for the payment of hospital expenses.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1946

Golf Day was a great success. According to the *Bulletin*, "the price was high, the scores were high and so were some of the doctors."

The first Medical Society Exhibit at the Canfield Fair was held that year. The theme of the exhibit was "One Hundred Years of Medicine." It was entirely a Medical Society effort—no hospitals or other organizations. More than 60,000 people crowded in to see the exhibit of old and new instruments, books and medical equipment.

New members of the Society were: E. E. Elder, R. V. Clifford, P. B. Giber, U. A. Melaragno, James D. Miller, S. W. Ondash, A. K. Phillips, C. E. Pichette, Jr., J. J. Sofranec, Jr., Oscar Turner, Nathan Belinky, Rollis Miller, Jr., Clyde Walter, Sidney Keyes, Robert Kiskaddon and Kenneth Camp. What an infusion of new blood!

Louis Deitchman died suddenly of coronary thrombosis. Edwin Brody left to study dermatology at the New York Skin and Cancer Hospital. Captain Oscar Axelson was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in France and Belgium.

Members voted to raise the dues from \$20.00 to \$35.00.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1956

President DeCicco wrote that no true American neglects his duty to exercise his opinion at the polls.

James Smeltzer finished a tour of active duty with the U.S. Navy and returned to private practice of internal medicine.

New members were: Robert Wiltzie, Bertram Katz and Irving Berke.

The Health Insurance Council stated that 110 million persons in the U.S.A. were covered by hospital insurance.

TEN YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1966

Many of the members enjoyed a trip through the open hearth blooming mill and hot strip mill of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company on Oct. 27th.

Our Canfield Fair exhibit that year was held in a large tent with 19 other exhibitors in the Allied Professions. The exhibit committee consisted of: Clyde Walter, Robert Fisher, Paul Ruth, Jack Schreiber, F. W. Dunlea and Joseph Campolito.

Steve Ondash was elected President of the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Physicians. Dick Murray held a one-man show of his paintings in New York. Arthur Rappoport testified before a Senate Committee and later gave a paper on automation and computer use in laboratory pathology to the Inter-National Congress of Pathologists in Rome. Angelo Riberi addressed the South American Congress of Cardiovascular surgery at Caracas, Venezuela.

—J. L. F.

NEW CORPORATION TO AID CARDIAC PATIENTS

A new cardiac rehabilitation program called Professional Cardiac Rehabilitation, Inc., has been formed to continue and expand a program begun in 1972 as a pilot project co-sponsored by the Eastern Ohio Chapter of the American Heart Association and the YMCA. The local American Heart Association Chapter has funded the cardiac rehabilitation service for a four year period.

The PROCARE, Inc., program is designed to provide comprehensive cardiac rehabilitation services to patients referred by physicians. Each patient receives an extensive evaluation, including an exercise stress test on a treadmill with an electrocardiogram. Results of the evaluation are used to develop a physical therapy prescription and/or to determine if it is safe for the patient to return to work. If referred for physical therapy, patients participate in therapy sessions.

Periodic re-evaluations monitor progress through the program.

Additional services offered by PROCARE, Inc., include a patient education program, nutritional guidance and various intervention programs. All services are directed by qualified professionals under the supervision of a physician. Emergency equipment and drugs are available.

Complete PROCARE information and counseling are available for in-hospital patients. Physicians can request visitations by a professional counselor to explain the PROCARE program of cardiac rehabilitation.

Professional Cardiac Rehabilitation, Inc., is a non-profit program and will accept patients who qualify for financial assistance. The program has also applied for authorization from the Ohio Department of Welfare to provide services for Medicare patients.

Trustees of the new corporation are: Paul Baringer, Baringer and Company Accountants; J. Richard Bennett, YMCA; Stephen Graf, Assistant Professor, Youngstown State University; Bruce Hollering, Assistant Professor, Kent State University; Dr. Fredrick Kunkel, Youngstown Hospital Association; Worthy Rogers, Vice-President, Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co.; L. Anthony Whitney, Assistant Professor, Youngstown State University and Susan J. Whitney.

The Professional Staff includes: Thomas Detesco, M.D., Staff Physician; Anthony Valenti, L.P.T., Program Manager; Mary Jane Stone, R.N., Staff Nurse; Chris Chadderton, M.T., Lab Technician; Margaret Horvath, R.D., Nutritionist; Diane Santantonio, Psychologist; Beverly Schapler, L.P.N., Health Educator, and Kim Frank, Dietitian.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE NAMED

The Nominating Committee was announced at the Sept. 21st meeting. It consists of Drs. Rashid Abdu, W. L. Crawford, A. A. Detesco, R. M. Kiskaddon, S. W. Ondash and W. E. Sovik. The Committee will meet in October. Anyone having suggestions for nominations to council may give the information to one of the committee members.

WE'VE A JOB TO DO

The Mahoning County Medical Society has a commendable record of participation and cooperation in previous immunization programs in our county. Through the leadership of Dr. Kurt Wegner, chairman, and the cooperation of Mr. Douglas A. Walsh and the County Health Department, we have been intimately involved in the planning of the swine flu immunization program. We would like to enlist the support and help of all physicians in Mahoning County in order to make this a successful program.

The vast majority of medical experts agree that it is far better to have an immunization program without an epidemic of influenza than to have an epidemic without an immunization program. This is particularly true for this specific strain of influenza which in the past has been extremely virulent and associated with a great number of deaths. This immunization program, like all others, will not be successful without physician volunteers for each immunization site, and the cooperation of physicians in the immunization of their own high-risk patients.

I am certain that the member physicians of the Mahoning County Medical Society will enthusiastically support this program as they have supported similar worthwhile immunization projects in the past. Since we have never before attempted to immunize the entire population we can anticipate that it will take more effort and tolerance on the part of the physician to accomplish our goal of a successful campaign.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, patience and support.

—W. E. Sovik, M.D.
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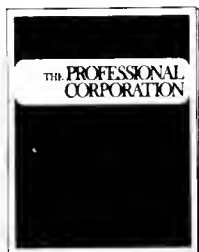
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MEDICAL ASSISTANTS DINNER IS THURSDAY

The rush is on for last-minute reservations for the Medical Assistants Dinner to be held Thursday, Oct. 14, at Holiday Inn, North. This is the doctor's annual banquet for his nurses, secretaries, technicians and receptionists. Dr. George Dietz, chairman, promises plenty of favors, door-prizes, food and fun. Last year's was the largest yet - - topping the 340 mark. This year's party promises to be the best yet.

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CHANGE IN FEE SCHEDULE: The following motion in its amended form, reading as follows, was voted on and passed: "That fees shall be \$3.00 for office calls; \$4.00 for house calls in daytime - 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5.00; and from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m., \$6.00, effective November 1st, 1946."

MEDICAL FEES: An article submitted by Dr. J. P. Harvey in 1946 stated, "It can be safely said that every time a physician appears to demand all that the traffic will bear, he makes a new supporter for socialized medicine."

"... Bad practices of a few profiteering physicians can bring public censure on the whole profession."

CLINICOPATHOLOGICAL CONFERENCE was held Oct. 11, 1946 at South Side Hospital due to a recent fatal case of rabies. Doctors Gustafson, Tims, Turner, and Giffin presented the Conference. Records showed that since 1935 Mahoning County has averaged one fatality a year due to rabies; or 20% of the total in the state of Ohio, and more than 1% of the nation.

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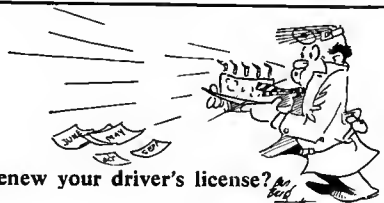
In 1936 Diphtheria was a public health problem and we urged all patients to be immunized. Welfare stations immunized 2102 and private physicians 136. Dr. E. H. Nagel was chairman.

PATHOLOGICAL CONFERENCE: The first one was held in Oct. 1936 and my month on that service there were 31 deaths. I got 30 permissions for postmortems, I had 31 permissions, but for a reason not known to me, the coroner did not want it.

Dr. H. E. Patrick was always present. One day he said "Gabe" (Dr. Kramer) there is a lot of material here that the whole staff should know about." So Dr. Kramer said, "Let's have a weekly staff conference," and made arrangements to have one at Stewart House every week on Friday mornings. The first case presented was that of acute hemorrhagic pancreatitis.

—C. A. Gustafson, M.D.

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DR. ROSENBLUM RECEIVES OSU HONOR

Dr. M. S. Rosenblum was honored with the Ohio State University Distinguished Service Award at the university's summer commencement in Columbus. The award was presented for his exceptional efforts on behalf of the Medical Alumni Association of OSU and on behalf of the Mahoning County Chapter of the school's Alumni Association.

The award reads in part, "You have served the University long and well as a loyal son for 44 years . . . outstanding alumni leader and emissary of goodwill . . . willing to give and serve . . . a professional leader of high order. Your dedicated service to the spiritual and civic life of your community reflects brightly on yourself and those around you."

Dr. Rosenblum was particularly pleased to receive a letter from Mrs. Harold L. Enarson, wife of the OSU president, saying, "... special thanks for just being you, so vital, so generous, so real . . ."

Dr. Rosenblum, a 1932 graduate, is a member of the OSU Alumni Advisory Board and a past-president of both the county chapter and the medical alumni association of the University.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Volunteer physicians are needed for the Swine Flu mass immunization on the dates of Saturday, Oct. 30 (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.) and Sunday, Oct. 31 (1 p.m. to 10 p.m.). There are 10 vaccine stations in Mahoning County. These have been listed in a flyer that went to every physician. Please volunteer by phoning the Medical Society office (747-4956).

ST. ELIZABETH HOSPITAL DEDICATES FACILITIES

The expanded facilities of St. Elizabeth Hospital were dedicated at a special Mass held at St. Columba Cathedral, Sunday, Sept. 26. This was followed by a blessing held in the lobby of the Hospital, and a tour of the new wings for all those attending.

The celebrant was the Most Reverend James W. Malone, D.D., Ph.D., Bishop of Youngstown. In the processional, banners were carried by representatives of eight groups associated with the hospital. The Medical Staff banner was carried by Dr. Stephen W. Ondash, accompanied by Dr. Rashid Abdu and Dr. A. K. Phillips.

The Cathedral was filled to capacity and an all-day rain failed to dampen the spirits of those attending the colorful ceremony.

MSAHEN ACCREDITED FOR AREA CME

The Ohio State Medical Association Commission on Medical Education has notified the Mahoning Shenango Area Health Education Network that it has been accredited by the commission as a Continuing Medical Education facility. Approval is for the period of Sept. 15, 1976, to Sept. 15, 1978. OSMAC accreditation is recognized by the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education for purposes of the AMA Physician Recognition Award. Announcement was made following a survey team visit to Youngstown earlier this month.

The MSAHEN Medical Education Committee charged with the responsibility of administering the accreditation is co-chaired by Dr. William H. Bunn, Jr., Chief of Medicine, Youngstown Hospital Assn., and Dr. Edward Kessler, Director, Internal Medicine Program, St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center.

In Memoriam

RAY W. FENTON, M.D.

1892 - 1976

Dr. Ray Fenton, general practitioner, died on Friday, Sept. 24, of infirmities at Park Vista Nursing Home. He was 84.

Dr. Fenton was born in Newton Falls. He received his medical degree at Ohio State University in 1914, at which time he came to Youngstown. After completing his internship, he opened an office, but in 1916 he joined the Medical Corps and served with Base Hospital #31 until his return in 1919.

He opened his office in Struthers and practiced until he succeeded Dr. Charles Scofield as Mahoning County Health Commissioner in 1960. He was a member of the staff of Youngstown Hospital Association. In 1927, Dr. Fenton was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

He was physician for the Struthers High School football team. In 1957, he was named the most distinguished citizen in Struthers. In 1960 the Struthers City Council proclaimed a "Doctor R. W. Fenton Day" in his honor and the Struthers Rotary Club presented him a plaque in appreciation of community service.

In 1964 he was honored by Ohio State University at his 50th class reunion. The same year he was awarded the OSMA Fifty Year Pin and plaque. In 1970 he was cited by the Ohio Academy of General Practice for his long service to humanity.

SIXTH DISTRICT MEETING WEDNESDAY

A special meeting of the Sixth District of the Ohio State Medical Association, to which all Mahoning County physicians are invited, will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 13th, 8:15 p.m. at Presser Hall, Cope Music Building, Mount Union College, Alliance.

The meeting, for the purpose of discussing formation and capitalization of the newly formed Physician Insurance Company of Ohio (PICO) will feature PICO administrative heads, Joe Gilmore, president, and David Rader, vice president.

Rader was scheduled to speak at the September meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society but was unable to do so because of illness. Bob Holcomb conducted an informative meeting in his stead.

DR. PERRY HONORED AT TESTIMONIAL

Dr. Earnest Perry was honored for his "dedication to and betterment of the community," at a testimonial dinner, Sept. 26 at the Mahoning Country Club. The citation was presented by Robert L. Pegues, superintendent of Youngstown Schools. Keynote speaker was Andrew R. Hughey, Ph.D., program director of counselor education at the University of Pittsburgh.

NEW MEMBER

At the Sept. 14 meeting of Council, the following application for membership was presented by the Censors:

ASSOCIATE: Anand G. Garg, M.D.

The application was approved. The applicant will become a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Sept. 14, 1976

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, Sept. 14 at the Youngstown Club.

Correspondence was read between the Ohio Bell Directory Co. and the Medical Society. For reasons stated, Ohio Bell will not change their yellow page headings from what was used last year. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that our D.O. members be instructed to list "D.O." after their names if they are listed under the "Physicians and Surgeons, M.D." heading in the yellow pages of the telephone directory. Motion was passed. The executive secretary was instructed to send copies of the correspondence to each D.O. member.

Dr. Kiskaddon, a member of the Mahoning Valley Health Planning Association Board, gave a report on the general activities of that organization. Dr. Kiskaddon was requested to continue as he has in the past.

A letter from the Easter Seal Society explaining that they work with private physicians was accepted for information.

Dr. Schreiber, Canfield Fair chairman, reported that the Fair and the Medical Health Building both set new attendance records. He stated that the Building continues to improve each year as more permanent exhibits are added and that this may be the largest Health Fair in the entire United States. Council commended him for his work.

Dr. Melnick, Bicentennial chairman, reported that the monument to Dr. Charles Dutton and the grave marker for Dr. Timothy Woodbridge would both be ready by Sept. 30. He was planning a ceremony for that date, but will select another date due to conflict with other medical activities.

A letter was read from Dr. Kurt Wegner announcing a proposed Tay-Sachs screening program for the Spring of 1977. The motion was made by Dr. Abdu, and properly seconded, that the letter be approved. Motion was passed.

Dr. Sovik mentioned the current Ohio Society for the Prevention of Blindness solicitation and commended it for those who wish to contribute.

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